COUNTY OF MERCER	•	
ARRA BEWEALTH	x	
In re	:	Chapter 11 Case No.
LEHMAN BROTHERS HOLDINGS INC., et al.,	1	08-13555 (JMP)
Debtors.	:	(Jointly Administered)
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APPA PER AND NEWSON TOWNS TO SEE

AFFIRMATION OF JOHN J. DMUCHOWSKI IN SUPPORT OF MOTION TO CERTIFY A CLASS OF RSU AND CSA CLAIMANTS NAMED IN $313^{\rm TR}$ AND $319^{\rm TH}$ OMNIBUS OBJECTIONS

JOHN J. DMUCHOWSKI affirms under penalties of perjury as follows:

- 1. I was employed by Lehman Brothers and its predecessors from 1982 through 2008. Lehman Brothers terminated my employment in September, 2008 and I was rehired by Barclays. I submit this Affirmation in support of the motion of Michael K. McCully and Michael J. Mullen to certify a class of persons named in the 313th and 319th Omnibus Objections. I was named in the Debtors 313th Omnibus Objection.
- 2. My RSU-related claim was small, only \$5,069.83. See ECF Doc. 28433, at p. 20 of 39 (Debtors' Schedule). I recognized that, even if I am classified as a general creditor for my unpaid compensation claim, I am likely to receive only a small amount, and that the cost of pursuing the claim would not be justified by the recovery.
- 3. In pursuing my claim, I have relied on the *pro bono* legal services provided by Smith Stratton, a New Jersey law firm where my wife works as a legal assistant. Smith Stratton

kindly asked only that I pay the out-of-pocket expenses, such as filing fees, postage and courier charges.

- 4. When I received the 313th Omnibus Objections, I questioned whether it was worth pursuing a claim.
- 5. It is my belief, however, that employees are entitled to be paid for their services, that my claim is for compensation for pre-petition services I performed for Lehman Brothers, and that it is wrong for other creditors to be paid the money that is due to me and to other employees in my position.
- 6. When I learn through Smith Stratton that Stamell & Schager, LLP was representing other former employees, I contacted the firm through Smith Stratton and asked whether they would include my claim. They agreed to do so.
- 7. My claim is small and could easily be overwhelmed by the expenses. Pursuing the claim on a group basis is really the only practical way of pursuing it at all.
- 8. I respectfully request the Court to-consider the economics of the situation for a small Claimant like myself.
- 9. I fully support the Motion of Michael K. McCully and Michael J. Mullen to certify a class of Claimants named in the 313th and 319th Omnibus Objections.

Affirmed under penalties of perjury on this /6th day of August, 2012.

John J. Dmuchowski